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In re Application of: *Lyamichev et al.*

Serial No.: 09/882,945

Group No.: 1634

Filed: 06/15/01

Examiner: Myers

Entitled: **NUCLEIC ACID ACCESSIBLE
HYBRIDIZATION SITES**


RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 9, 2004

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Sir or Madam:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 9, 2004. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.



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Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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Total Claims	40	—	51	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
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